GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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Upgradation of Jetties at V.O. Chidambarnar Port
Senguttuvan Shri Balasubramaniam

Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the V.O. Chidambarnar Port, Tuticorin has signed a pact with TANGEDCO for upgradation of two coal jetties for handling coal imports arriving at the port and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the upgradation of these jetties is to enable the TANGEDCO to handle larger amounts of coal meant for the thermal plants situated in Uppur and Kadaladi area under Ramanathapuram district of Tamil Nadu and if so, the details thereof; and
(c) whether the upgradation of these jetties would reduce the cost of logistics and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING
(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a)&(b):Yes, Madam. An MoU has been signed between V.O.Chidambaranar Port Trust and Tamilnadu Generation and Distribution Corporation Limited (TANGEDCO) for the upgradation of Coal Jetty (CJ) −I & Ⅱ. The estimated capacity of the new CJ − I and Ⅱ will be 12 MTPA each. The upgraded CJ-I and Ⅱ will help in catering to the coal requirement of TANGEDCO's existing Thermal Power Stations (TTPS) as also the upcoming Thermal Power Stations at Uppur and Kadaladi.

(c) Cost of logistics for handling coal to the thermal plants of TANGEDCO is expected to reduce due to freight advantage arising out of handling 65000 to 80000 Tonnes parcel size vessels. Handling charges per tonne will reduce due to increased discharge rate and reduced Turn Round Time of the vessel.
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